



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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Director of Health Services  
Director of Community and Senior Services

At its meeting held August 12, 2003, the Board took the following action:

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The following item was called up for consideration:

Supervisors Yaroslavsky and Antonovich's recommendation to instruct the Director of Health Services, in consultation with the Adult Day Health Care Planning Council (ADHC), to prepare a final report by October 1, 2003 on the status of Adult Day Health Care in Los Angeles County which includes the following information; and request the Audit Committee, as part of its upcoming sunset review of the Los Angeles County Adult Day Health Care Planning Council, to consider the import of SBX1 24, which authorizes the State to review all ADHC applications without County input, and the information contained in the requested report:

The following statement was entered into the record for Supervisors Yaroslavsky and Antonovich:

"On May 5, 2003, Governor Davis signed SBX1 24, which amended the Health and Safety Code to repeal the statutory authority and designation of duties for Adult Day Health Care (ADHC) Planning Councils. Coincidentally, the regularly scheduled sunset review date for the Los Angeles County Adult Day Health Care Planning Council is August 31, 2003.

"Adult Day Health Care is a service that affects an important segment of the County population. ADHC Centers provide partial-day treatment, nourishment and socialization services for elderly residents, many of whom would otherwise remain homebound and isolated. ADHC Centers can play a valuable role in the life of elderly persons and help defer dependency on more costly residential and nursing care.

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“The ADHC Planning Councils were originally created to advise the California Department of Health Services and the California Department of Aging on applications from potential ADHC providers. This was a permissive requirement for Counties, and no state funding was allocated for this purpose.

“For several years, Los Angeles County’s ADHC Planning Council, with appointees from each Board office, has been reviewing all applications within the County for ADHC licenses. Under SBX1 24, the State will directly review all applications without County input.

“We are concerned about the proliferation of ADHC Centers throughout the County in recent years, and about the quality of services rendered. Any restructuring of the program should ensure that there is an appropriate distribution of these services in local communities, based on need, that an effective monitoring program is in place to assure services are of high quality and that the Medi-Cal monies that support ADHC Centers are appropriately spent. The County should review these issues and report any concerns to the State before relinquishing its role under California regulations.”

Therefore, Supervisor Yaroslavsky made a motion that the Board take the following actions:

1. Instruct the Director of Health Services, in consultation with the Adult Day Health Care Planning Council (ADHC) to prepare a final report by November 1, 2003 on the status of Adult Day Health Care in Los Angeles County which includes the following information:
  - a. Distribution of Adult Day Health Care Centers throughout the County, compared to community needs;
  - b. A list of ADHC Centers in Los Angeles County, numbers of people served and the Medi-Cal expenditures for each;
  - c. Detail the type and quality of services rendered and identify gaps in services based on need and areas of over-saturation of services; and

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- d. Description of the ADHC program under SBX1 24, including the new approval process and quality assurance program, and identify any issues of interest to the County that should be communicated to State officials; and
2. Request the Audit Committee, as part of its upcoming sunset review of the Los Angeles County Adult Day Health Care Planning Council, to consider the import of SBX1 24, which authorizes the State to review all ADHC applications without County input, and the information contained in the requested report.

Supervisor Knabe made a suggestion that Supervisor Yaroslavsky's motion be amended to instruct the Director of Health Services, with input from the Director of Community and Senior Services, in consultation with the Adult Day Health Care Planning Council (ADHC) to..." Supervisor Yaroslavsky accepted Supervisor Knabe's amendment.

Supervisor Yaroslavsky's motion, as amended, seconded by Supervisor Antonovich, was unanimously carried (Supervisor Molina being absent).

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Letter sent to:

Chair, Audit Committee